PET(4) WPI 19 Petitions Committee

Consultation on petition P-03-262 Wales Peace Institute Response from Hedd Ladd-Lewis

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Dear Ms Phillips

I would like to express my support for the establishment of a Peace Institute for Wales. In a world that is full of violence and injustice, I feel that the establishment of a Peace Institute would be a golden opportunity for the Senedd in Cardiff to provide innovative leadership to the other British nations, Europe and the world. How nice it would be for a small country like Wales to show that we as a nation are serious about peace and justice. Wouldn't it be great for our Senedd in Wales to clearly state that we support peace and oppose spending billions of pounds on arms and devastating wars? Wouldn't it be great for our small country to prick the conscience of the Westminster government, encouraging it to spend taxpayers' money in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland on schools, hospitals, the elderly and our young people rather than on unnecessary and immoral conflicts? I hope that you, as the representative Senedd of the people of Wales, give this innovative request the serious consideration that it merits .

Yours sincerely

Hedd Ladd-Lewis